

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/829,101  
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Applicant: William J. Lutkus  
Group Art Unit: 3673  
Examiner: PATRICIA ENGLE  
Title: CHROMATE FREE FLUOROPOLYMER COATED  
FASTENER INSERTS  
Attorney Docket: 0275G-000915

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**Reply to Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief**

This is Applicants' response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief (37 CFR 41.37) mailed April 11, 2008. Reply is timely without fee if filed on or before May 11, 2008. If any fee is due, the office is authorized to deduct the fee from Deposit Account No. 02-2550 upon which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.

### **Remarks**

In the Appeal Brief please replace the current status of claims with the following:

#### **Status of Claims**

Claims 11-21 and 23-27 are pending in the Application. Claims 11-21 and 23-27 are rejected. This appeal is taken as to all of the rejected claims.

#### **Conclusion**

The corrected section now accurately states claims 11-21 and 23-27 are pending and subject to rejection. Further and favorable consideration is urgently solicited. The office is invited to telephone the undersigned if that would be helpful in resolving any issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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